

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 -are pending. Claims 1-12 have been allowed. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and issuance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

In part 3(A) of the office action dated 4 March 2005, the examiner pointed out a grammatical error in claim 9. In response, claim 9 has been amended to correct this error.

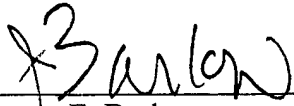
In part 3(B) of the office action, the examiner suggested adding a reference to the method in the summary and abstract sections of the application. In response, the specification has been amended to refer to the method in both the summary and the abstract.

In part 3(C) of the office action, a supplemental oath or declaration was required. A supplemental declaration is attached to this amendment.

In view of the foregoing, the applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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